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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am an older, single woman who lives way out in the country, alone. I work late hours and must drive lonely highways in the middle of the night. I am barely scraping by as it is. I bought my TracFone so I would be able to call for help if I should need it. It is used for this reason entirely. If the rates go up, I may not be able to keep my phone. I don't call anybody other than in an emergency situation. Please don't raise the rates. We are being charged way too many taxes as it is, and this is just another hidden tax on the people. If the government needs more money, I suggest it start looking at the unreasonable moneys paid to former presidents, the outrageous salaries the top government officials are paid (why should anyone make more money than they need to live a reasonably comfortable lifestyle), the ridiculous prices the government pays for simple items, and the welfare that is being paid to people who aren't even U.S. citizens and who are in this country!

illegally. These are just a few areas in which government spending could be reduced without attaching more taxes on an already overtaxed citizenry. Thank you.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members